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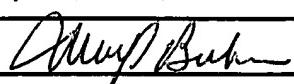
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Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

Multiple dependent claims

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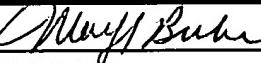
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In re Application of : PATENT

Heinz Metzger :

Serial No.: 10/532,116 : Art Unit: 3677

Filed: April 21, 2005 : Examiner: F. Saether

For: **THREADED RING FOR LOCKING
ON A THREADED SPINDLE (Amended)** :

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Responsive to the November 29, 2005 Office Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows: